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May 5, 2000

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/122,274
for Improved RF/Microwave Structures

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find the following items in connection with the above-identified application:

1. a Petition To Withdraw A Holding Of Abandonment Based On Failure Of Applicant to Receive Office Action; and
2. a stamped, self-addressed postcard.

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Respectfully submitted,

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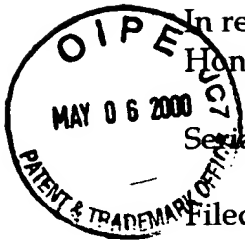
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



In re Patent Application:

Honeycutt

Serial No. 09/122,274

Filed: July 24, 1998

Group Art Unit: 2817

Examiner: B. Summons

Date: May 4, 2000

For: IMPROVED RF/MICRO-
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PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT BASED ON
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Jean Marc Zimmerman declares as follows:

1. I am an attorney at law licensed to practice before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. My registration number is 36,978.
2. I filed the above-identified application (hereinafter "the application") on July 24, 1998.
3. On or about March 17, 2000, I received a Notice of Abandonment from the Patent Office regarding the application. I immediately contacted the Patent Office to inquire as to the status of the application and was advised that the application had gone abandoned because of applicant's failure to respond to an Office Action mailed on July 28, 1999.
4. I immediately searched my file for the application but found no Office Action therein and found no indication on the file jacket for such file that an Office Action had been received. I also reviewed the docket for my office but found no record of the Office Action. Copies of both the file jacket for the application where the Office Action would have been entered had it been received and my docket are attached hereto.
5. In an attempt to determine if perhaps I had received the Office Action and misplaced in another file, I searched through all of the other intellectual property files, both patent and non-patent, in my office. Not finding the Office Action in

any of these files, I obtained the intellectual property files I had placed in storage in January, 2000, and searched through all of those files to find the Office Action. I was, however, unable to find the Office Action in those files either. The process of searching through all of the files in my office, and obtaining and searching through those files that had been placed in storage, which process I just recently completed is the reason for my filing this Petition now and not any earlier.

6. On April 26, 2000, I contacted examiner Barbara Summons and advised her of the facts of this case. I asked her to send me a copy of the Office Action at issue, which she did.

7. Given that I never received the Office Action, given that the Office Action was not entered either on the file jacket for the application or on my docket, and given that my client would have responded to this first Office Action to continue prosecution of the application, then pursuant to MPEP Section 711.03 (c) II, the holding of abandonment based on failure to receive the Office Action should be withdrawn.

8. All statements made herein of my own knowledge are true; and all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and that further these statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both under 18 U.S.C. Section 1001, and may jeopardize the validity of the application or document or any registration issuing therefrom.

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For Improved RF/Microwave Stripline Structure and Method for
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